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Number inspected by the Medical Officer of Health	6
Number inspected by the Health Inspector	1033
Number reported to be defective	131
Number of vessels on which defects were remedied	108
Number of vessels reported as having or having had during voyage infectious disease on board	Nil

ADMIRALTY VESSELS

Number inspected and re-inspected	181
Number of vessels fumigated	40

CANAL BOATS ACT.- During the year 94 canal boats were inspected and no case of infectious disease occurred on any of them. Infringements of the Act dealt with were:-

Vessels without certificates	19	Cabin to be cleansed	1
Defective decks	2	Cabin to be cleansed & painted	2
Defective seat lockers	1	Marks & number indistinct.. ..	1
Cabins to be painted..	10	Deckhead in aft cabin to be repaired	1
No marks and numbers..	7	Forecastle to be painted	1
Cabin to be fumigated	1	Defective ladder to renew ..	1
Defective stove	1	Defective skylight to be cork cemented	1
Marks & numbers to be painted.	2	Change of ownership not endorsed on certificate	4
Food locker to be repaired ..	1		
Iron work in fore cabin to be cork cemented	1		

WATER SUPPLY.- The remarks appertaining to the water supply of the Port are similar tb those made in the Annual Report for 1938.

PORT SANITARY REGULATIONS,1933.- The information under these Regulations is as described in the Annual Report for 1934, except in regard to paragraph 10 relating to Venereal Diseases.

The following cases of infectious sickness were landed from vessels during the year:-

	Passengers	Crew	Number of Vessels concerned
Malaria.....	-	3	1

There were no cases of infectious sickness occurring on vessels during the voyage and disposed of prior to arrival.

No cases of plague, yellow fever, cholera, small-pox or typhus occurred, nor were any plague infected rats discovered.

During the year a total of 229 attendances were made by 74 foreign seamen at the Grimsby Venereal Disease Clinic. Of this number 20 were found to be suffering from syphilis, 35 from gonorrhoea, 2 from chancroid, and 17 were found not to be suffering from venereal disease.

MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS.- The number of rats destroyed during the year were as follows:-

	On Vessels.	In Docks, Quays, Wharves and Warehouses.
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do. found to be infected with plague	-	-

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38 traps were set on 6 vessels and 18 rats were caught, and 65 were recovered after fumigation, the balance of 284 being from fishing vessels, making a total of 367 rats destroyed.

It was not found necessary to take any measures of rat destruction on plague"infected" or "suspected" vessels, or vessels from plague infected ports arriving in the port.

1,248 traps were set on other vessels.

A total of 20 Deratisation Exemption Certificates and 2 Deratisation Certificates were issued. It was found necessary to fumigate 2 vessels under the International Sanitary Convention.

HYGIENE OF CREW'S SPACES.- The classification of nuisances on vessels is shewn hereunder:-

Number of vessels inspected during the year	1033
Defects of original construction	4
Structural defects through wear and tear	83
Dirt, Vermin, and other conditions prejudicial to health	119

Sanitary improvements effected were:-

STEAMERS

Decks repaired	9	W.C. Basins renewed	4
Stoves repaired	5	W.C. Flush pipes repaired	2
Dirty quarters cleansed	70	New tables provided	3
Dirty bunks cleansed	212	New seats provided	2
Dirty beds destroyed	135	New Flushing cistern provided	3
Dirty food lockers cleansed	150	Ventilation repaired	1
Verminous quarters fumigated	25	Bulkheads repaired	2
Verminous quarters sprayed	4	Stoves renewed	4
Quarters painted wholly or in part.	20	Ventilation improved	4
W.C. seats repaired	5	Portlights repaired	6
W.C's cleansed	42	H eating arrangements improved	1
Skylights repaired	1	Side plates renewed	15
Doors repaired	1	Defective drainage remedied	2
Food lockers repaired	1	Port frames renewed	12
W.C's painted	12	Portlights renewed	12
Wash houses cleansed	18	Bulkheads renewed	6
Wash houses painted	7	Doors renewed	8
Lighting improved (artificial)	6	Bunks renewed	15
Clothes lockers renewed	20	Lining or sheathing renewed	9
Food lockers renewed	2	Wash basins renewed	6
Dirty galleys etc., cleansed	2	Port frames repaired	4
Tanks cleaned	7	Metal clothes lockers provided	6

TRAWLERS

Wash houses cleansed	4	Bulkheads repaired or renewed	94
W.C. Flush pipes repaired	4	Bunks repaired or renewed	141
Defective drainage remedied	2	Lining or sheathing repaired	106
New tables provided	5	Food lockers repaired or renewed	83
Verminous quarters fumigated	46	Stoves repaired or renewed	41
Verminous quarters sprayed	5	Tables repaired or renewed	13
Clothes lockers repaired or renewed	18	Floors renewed	2
Chain pipes renewed	1	Dirty quarters cleansed	151
Stoves and chimneys renewed	4	Dirty bunks cleansed	688
Lighting improved (artificial)	5	Dirty seat lockers cleansed	139
Ladders repaired	4	Dirty transom lockers cleansed	23
W.C. Basins renewed or repaired	8	Dirty food lockers cleansed	154
W.C. seats repaired	9	Dirty galleys etc., cleansed	57
W.C's cleansed	24	Dirty beds destroyed	491
W.C's painted	19	Qtrs painted wholly or in part	126
W.C. soil pipes repaired	3	Tanks cleaned	90
Ventilation improved	18	Seats repaired	16
Decks repaired or renewed	112	Seat lockers renewed	51
Port frames repaired or renewed	63	Lining or sheathing renewed	154
Port lights repaired or renewed	71	Side plates repaired or renewed	161
Doors repaired or renewed	24	Skylights repaired or renewed	19

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HOUSING OF CREW'S SPACES.- The classification of nuisances on vessels is shown hereunder:-

Number of vessels inspected during the year	1053
Defects of wrtginal construction	4
Structural defects through wear and tear	83
Dirt, Vermin, and other conditions prejudicial to health	119

Sanitary improvements effected were:-

STEAMERS

Decks repaired.....	9 W.C. Basins renewed.....
Stoves repaired.....	5 W.C. Flush pipes repaired.....
Dirty quarters cleansed.....	70 New tables provided.....
Dirty bunks cleansed.....	212 New seats provided.....
Dirty beds destroyed.....	135 New Flushing cistern provided...
Dirty food lockers cleansed.....	150 Ventilation repaired.....
Vermin=ous quarters fumigated.....	25 Bulkheads repaired.....
Vermin=ous quarters sprayed.....	4 Stoves renewed.....
Quarters painted wholly or in part.	20 Ventilation improved.....
W.C. seats repaired.....	5 Portlights repaired.....
W.C's cleansed.....	42 N eating arrangements improved..
Skylights repaired.....	1 Slide plates renewed.....
Doors repaired.....	1 Defective drainage remedied.....
Food lockers repaired.....	1 Port frames renewed.....
W.C's painted.....	18 Portlights renewed.....
Wash houses cleansed.....	18 Bulkheads renewed.....
Wash houses painted.....	7 Doors renewed.....
Lighting improved (artificial).....	6 Bunks renewed.....
Clothes lockers renewed.....	20 Lining or sheathing renewed.....
Food lockers renewed.....	2 Wash basins renewed.....
Dirty galleys etc., cleansed.....	8 Port frames repaired.....
Tanks cleaned.....	7 Metal clothes lockers provided..

TRAWLERS

Wash houses cleansed.....	4 Bulkheads repaired or renewed...
W.C. Flush pipes repaired.....	4 Bunks repaired or renewed.....
Defective drainage remedied....	2 Lining or sheathing repaired....
New tables provided.....	3 Food lockers repaired or renewed
Ventilators quarters fumigated.....	40 Stoves repaired or renewed.....
Ventilous quarters sprayed.....	5 Tables repaired or renewed.....
Clothes lockers repaired or renewed	18 Floors renewed.....
Chain pipes renewed.....	1 Dirty quarters cleansed.....
Stoves and chimneys renewed.....	4 Dirty bunks cleansed.....
Lighting improved (artificial).....	3 Dirty boot lockers cleansed.....
Ladders repaired.....	4 Dirty trawsm lockers cleansed..
W.C. Basins renewed or repaired....	8 Dirty food lockers cleansed.....
W.C. seats repaired.....	9 Dirty galleys etc., cleansed....
W.C's cleansed.....	24 Dirty beds destroyed.....
W.C's painted.....	19 Ports painted wholly or in part..
W.C. soil pipes repaired.....	8 Tanks cleaned.....
Ventilation improved.....	18 Seats repaired.....
Decks repaired or renewed.....11	8 Boot lockers renewed.....
Port frames repaired or renewed....	85 Lining or sheathing renewed.....
Port lights repaired or renewed....	71 Slide plates repaired or renewed.
Doors repaired or renewed.....	24 Skylights repaired or renewed...

CREW'S QUARTERS.- The remarks appertaining to the condition of crew's accomodation are similar to those made in the Annual Report for 1938.

FOOD INSPECTION.- Action taken under the Public Health (Imported Food) Regulations, 1937:-

Nature of Article	Weight				Why condemned	Whether Seized or forfeited	How Disposed of
	Tons	Cwts	Qrs	stns			
Quantities of fish condemned:-							
(1) Fish Market:-	257	2	-	1¼	"	"	Sent to Meal Works
Salting Purposes only:-	153	2	-	1½	"	"	"
(2) Ex. Rail:-	2	3	1	-	"	"	"
(3) Fish Curing Houses:-	11	1	1	-	"	"	"
(4) Ex. Coal Salt & Tanning Co:-	Condensed Milk 95 tins				"	"	Destructor
	Coffee Foam 874 Cartons				"	"	Destroyed
(5) Salvage:-	Soup ..... 45 tins				"	"	Destructor
	Condensed Milk. 1 tin				"	"	"
	Pineapple..... 3 tins				"	"	Destroyed
(6) Ex. Vessels:-	Sausages ..... 40 lbs				"	"	Sent to Hossell & Sons, Ltd.,
(7) Ex. Butchers Stores:-	Beef..... 95½ lbs				"	"	

The following samples were submitted to the Analyst for examination under the Public Health (Preservatives, etc., in Food) Regulations, 1925 - 1939.

Nature of sample	Result of examination
Salted Fish	Free from all preservatives

There are no shell-fish beds in the area of the Port Health Authority. Oysters marketed in this district are derived from layings at Hunstanton and Brightlingsea.

DISTRICT.- I am indebted to Mr.A. Martin, Chief Port Health Inspector, for details of the sanitary work carried out in the port district. 708 inspections and re-inspections have been made regarding defects and nuisances, 137 letters and informal notices were served on owners or occupiers, and the undermentioned sanitary improvements were effected during the year:-

GENERAL

Dirty walls cleansed & limewashed...	39	Yards concreted.....	4
Dirty stairways cleansed.....	5	Fish house floors laid.....	1
Accumulations of rubbish removed....	14	New doors fitted.....	2
Dirty stores cleansed.....	4	Dirty stores cleansed and lime-washed.....	7
Verminous store fumigated.....	1		
Verminous office fumigated.....	2	Verminous bedding fumigated.....	2
Accumulations of foul offal removed.	3	Floor concreted.....	1
Door bottoms plated over.....	4	Defective window frames complete with windows.....	8
Dirty offices cleansed.....	1		
Dirty yards cleansed & limewashed...	1	Defective doors renewed.....	4
New wash hand basins provided.....	2	Defective roofs repaired.....	1
Walls retiled with white glazed bricks.....			1

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Dirty yards cleansed & limewashed...	1 Defective doors renewed..... 4
New wash hand basins provided.....	2 Defective roofs repaired..... 1
Walls retiled with white glazed bricks.....	1

DRAINAGE.

Defective eavespout renewed....	5	Drains repaired.....	8
Gullies cleared.....	28	New inspection chamber.....	9
Drains cleared.....	4	Drains laid.....	5
Defective eavesgutters renewed.	4	Gullies provided.....	13
Choked drains cleared.....	13	Defective downspouts repaired...	2

WATER CLOSETS

W.C's cleared.....	12	W.C's limewashed.....	5
Urinals cleared.....	11	W.C. seats renewed.....	1
Flushing tank handles renewed..	1	New Urinals built.....	2
Flushing cistern installed.....	9	W.C. floor laid.....	1
W.C. installed.....	8	Dirty urinal limewashed.....	1
Flushing cisterns repaired.....	4	Soil pipes repaired.....	1
W.C. window replaced.....	8	New soil pipe ventilators.....	2
		Soil pipes renewed.....	2

FISH MARKET.- The report referring to the fish market, fish market facilities and offensive trades is the same as that submitted in 1938. Work carried out including the following:- Fish Merchants stands cleansed, 204, Fish Merchants barrows cleansed, 235, Fish Merchants ice bins cleansed, 182, Fish Curers kits cleansed (lots) 207.

RATS & MICE (DESTRUCTION) ACT, 1919.- 719 inspections and re-inspections were made, and 3,706 rats - 908 black and 2,798 brown - were caught on premises.

A regular system of examination is carried out in stores, ware-houses etc., and if rats, or traces of rats, are found in any building, orders are at once given for their clearance either by traps, poison or fumigation. Leaflets are distributed pointing out the obligations under the Act, also the penalties for non-compliance.

PARROTS (PROHIBITIONS OF IMPORT) REGULATIONS, 1930.- No notices were issued during the year.

SHOPS ACT, 1912 - 1934.- Periodical inspections were carried out under the above Acts.

FACTORIES ACT, 1937.- These premises are kept under constant supervision, A total of 539 inspections were made under this Act, and 5 written notices were served on occupiers. Defects found numbered 34, and of these 27 had been remedied at the end of the year. It was not found necessary to institute any proceedings.

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